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SUBJECT: PRESS INQUIRIES CONCERNING ALERTING OF US
TROOPS IN FRG

1. WE ARE RECEIVING NUMEROUS PRESS INQUIRIES ABOUT UPI AND AP PRESS REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON STATING THAT US TROOPS IN THE FRG AND THE US HAVE BEEN PUT ON ALERT STATUS. THE STORIES CITE PENTAGON OFFICIALS AS SOURCES OF THE REPORT BUT THAT THE PENTAGON HAS DENIED ALL OFFICIAL COMMENT.
2. EUCOM INFORMED US THIS MORNING THAT JCS HAS PLACED US TROOPS IN FRG ON DEFCON 3 ALERT AND ORDERED THAT THE RETURN OF REFORGER UNITS TO THE US BE DELAYED ONE WEEK. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PASSED TO SACEUR AND THAT IN THE COURSE OF THE DAY, THE INFORMATION WILL BE GIVEN TO OTHER NATO COUNTRIES.
3. PRESS INQUIRIES HAVE TAKEN THE DIRECTION OF FIRST, CONFIRMATION OF THE MILITARY ALERT, AND SECOND, RELATED DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY. IN VIEW OF THE INQUIRIES, WE
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NEED IMMEDIATE GUIDANCE IN RESPONDING TO BOTH PRESS AND

OFFICIAL FRG INQUIRIES ABOUT THE ALERT, THE LATTER WHICH
WE EXPECT IN THE COURSE OF THE DAY.
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